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What ever happened to the fence?

In the early 1900's an attractive iron fence surrounded Carbondale's Memorial Park. According to one NEWS subscriber, Carbondale residents awoke one morning and found that the entire fence had disappeared.

The subscriber hinted that some members of the city government and police department may have been involved in some shady dealings since it would be difficult to completely dismantle and dispose of such a large fence without anyone noticing. (Remember that the fence was in plain view of police headquarters and that the police used to walk a beat in the downtown area).

One man said that the fence disappeared during the years of World War I.

If any of our readers can shed some light on "the case of the vanishing fence," please contact the NEWS office.